

FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

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III. Special Access - Continued

C. Description of Terminating Options - Continued

2. Voice Grade - Continued

g. Dial Repeating Tie Trunk Termination

Two network terminating options are provided for terminating four-wire transmission facilities used to furnish dial repeating tie trunk services. These options are described in terms of the interface they provide to a PBX (or similar system).

(1) A Type I tie line termination provides the customer or end user with a two-wire transmission interface with either a two-wire or four-wire E&M type signaling interface at the customer's option. Transmission and signaling Interface options available are described In Part 68 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.

(2) A Type III tie line termination provides the customer with a four-wire transmission Interface with either a two-wire or four-wire E&M type signaling Interface. Transmission and signaling options available are described in Part 68 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.

Special Access Line and Special Transport Facilities used with this option may require signaling capabilities.

3. Program Audio ¹(Grandfathered effective December 19, 2013)

a. 200 to 3,500 Hz

Provides standard program audio Interface levels and impedance matching to two-wire network facilities.

b. 100 to 5,000 Hz, 50 to 8,000 Hz, and 50 to 15,000 Hz

Provides standard program audio interface levels, circuit equalization and Impedance matching to two-wire network facilities.

4. Video

This arrangement provides the necessary equipment required to terminate a video facility. Facilities to be used in connection with broadcast video services must be ordered from the appropriate interstate tariff.

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III. Special Access - Continued

C. Description of Terminating Options - Continued

5. High Capacity Digital

a. High Capacity Digital DS1

Provides a High Capacity Digital DS1 Special Access interface for use in providing simultaneous two-way transmission of isochronous bipolar serial data signals at the rate of 1.544 Mbps.

b. Fractional T1 Service

Provides a DS1 Special Access interface for use in providing simultaneous two-way transmission of isochronous bipolar serial data signals and is limited to groupings of $N \times 56$ Kbps or $N \times 64$ Kbps where $N = 2, 4, \text{ or } 6$.

c. High Capacity Digital DS3

Provides a High Capacity Digital DS3 Special Access interface for use in providing simultaneous two-way transmission of isochronous bipolar serial data signals at the rate of 44.736 Mbps. The Utility will provide an electrical interface with the service unless otherwise specified by the customer. EIS is not available with DS3 services provided with an optical interface.

d. High Capacity Digital DS3C

Provides a High Capacity Digital DS3C Special Access interface for use in providing simultaneous two-way transmission of isochronous bipolar serial data signals at the rate of 89.472 Mbps. The Utility will provide an optical interface with this service unless the service is provided via microwave, in which case, an electromagnetic interface is provided, or unless the customer requests an electrical interface.

6. Premium Digital Special Access Service

Provides a Premium Digital Special Access Interface for use in providing simultaneous two-way transmission of sequential bipolar data signals at rates of 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, or 56 kbps over four-wire facilities.

7. Basic Digital Special Access Service

Provides a Basic Digital Special Access Interface for use in providing simultaneous two-way transmission of sequential bipolar data signals at rates of 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 19.2 or 56 Kbps over four-wire facilities.

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III. Special Access - Continued

D. Description of Supplemental Features

Supplemental Features are items which can be added to Special Access to provide enhanced capabilities or improve its utility.

Reference to specific uses or Special Access types indicate the most effective use for each Supplemental feature. Customer use for other purposes or with other Special Access types is limited only to the extent that such use must not harm the network. Further, the Utility does not guarantee functional operation of Supplemental Features for these alternate applications.

Listed below are the Supplemental Features that are offered under this tariff.

1. Bridging

Bridging is the function of connecting three or more CDLs in a multipoint arrangement. Listed below are those bridging services offered under this tariff.

- a. Multi-point Data Bridging - This feature provides the capability to derive a multipoint data circuit from a single facility and is normally provided on Voiceband facilities provided for transmission of data signals. Polled multipoint data circuits are a typical application of this feature.
- b. Voice Conference Bridging - Bridging arrangement to connect multiple Voiceband facilities In order that a voice frequency input signal from any location will be reproduced at the output of all other circuit locations.
- c. Alarm Distribution Bridging -Provides polling type bridging capabilities, band splitting filters and conversion of four-wire terminations up to a capacity of 40 two-wire terminations. This function is offered as two elements. The first element provides all shelving and common equipment for a capacity of 40 two-wire terminations. The second element provides a two-wire port. One common equipment rate element will apply to accommodate up to 40 two-wire terminations. One two-wire port will apply to each two-wire Special Access Line terminated in the bridge.
- d. Program Audio Bridging ¹ - An arrangement to provide a multiple channel output from a single Program Audio or Voiceband facility. This arrangement is provided and rated on a per port basis.
- e. Digital Special Access Bridging - Provides for a multi-junction unit (MJU) arrangement to bridge 2.4 kbps, 4.8 kbps, 9.6 kbps, 19.2 kbps, or 56 kbps Digital Special Access facilities. Different speeds cannot be mixed on the same bridge. This function is provided on a per port basis.

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III. Special Access - Continued

D. Description of Supplemental Features - Continued

Listed below are the Supplemental Features that are offered under this tariff.- Continued

2. Conditioning Arrangements - Data

Data conditioning, when utilized in conjunction with effective four-wire Voiceband transmission facilities, improves the characteristics of these facilities. These Improved characteristics are not represented to apply to the entire end to end facility of the customer, but only to that portion of the facility provided by the Utility.

There are three types of data conditioning, Type C, Type C-Improved and Type DA. Type C and Type C-Improved conditioning control attenuation distortion and envelope delay distortion. Type DA controls the signal to C-notched noise ratio and intermodulation distortion. Type C and Type DA conditioning may be combined on the same circuit. Type C-Improved and Type DA conditioning may be combined on the same circuit.

Data conditioning is charged for on a per Special Access line basis. The parameters listed for each type of data conditioning apply from two or more CDLs within the Utility's serving area. Conditioning parameters apply to each end of a two-point circuit. For multipoint circuits, the conditioning parameters apply from any CDL to either the point of Interface at another CDL or the first Utility bridging point depending on the circuit configuration. These parameters are not applicable to high capacity point of Interface, because there is no voice frequency test access point. In these instances, the data conditioning parameters apply to the last Utility voice frequency test access point before the high capacity point of interface.

Type-C, Type C-Improved and Type-DA conditioning of voiceband facilities provide a facility which meets the transmission parameters in addition to the standard parameters for voiceband circuits.

a. Type C

- (1) Attenuation distortion with reference to 1004 Hz
- (2) Envelope delay distortion

b. Type C-Improved

- (1) Improved attenuation distortion with reference to 1004 Hz.
- (2) Improved envelope delay distortion.

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D. Description of Supplemental Features - Continued

Listed below are the Supplemental Features that are offered under this tariff.- Continued

2. Conditioning Arrangements – Data - Continued

The customer may choose to order Improved Attenuation Distortion or Improved Envelope Delay Distortion or both configurations. The rates specified for Type C-Improved conditioning, as set forth following, will apply regardless of the configuration specified.

c. Type DA

- (1) Signal to C-notch noise ratio
- (2) Nonlinear signal to second order distortion
- (3) Nonlinear signal to third order distortion

3. Conditioning - Program Audio ¹ (Grandfathered effective December 19, 2013)

a. Stereo Conditioning

Provides the option of two radio program facilities which are facilities identical in all transmission characteristics. Two Program Audio facilities are required to provide this Supplemental Feature. This feature is normally used only with Program Audio 50 to 15,000 Hz facilities. Stereo conditioning is charged on a per occurrence basis.

b. Zero Loss

Conditioning of Program Audio facilities to provide zero loss at 1,000 Hz test frequency. Zero loss is charged on a per Special Access Line basis.

4. Signaling Arrangements

- a. Signaling arrangements, when furnished with Voiceband transmission facilities, enable these facilities to accommodate standard telecommunications signaling protocols. Signaling arrangements provide for the conversion of one signaling method to another signaling method and/or extension of a signaling method at customer and Utility interfaces and enables the transmission facilities to accommodate signaling transmission. Signaling arrangements are available with Voiceband transmission facilities to enable transmission of requested signaling formats. The third and fourth protocol characters of the Network Channel Interface (NCI) and Secondary Network Channel Interface (SEC NCI) codes as indicated on the customer's order, reflect signaling activity. Typical protocol characters contained in the NCI or SEC NCI codes that designate signaling arrangements are: AB, AC, DS, DX, DY, EA, EB, EC, Ex, GO, GS, LA, LB, LC, LO, LR, LS, NO, RV, and SF.

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III. Special Access - Continued

D. Description of Supplemental Features - Continued

4. Signaling Arrangements - Continued

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The customer identified NCI and SEC NCI codes will be considered the customer's request for signaling. The Utility will endeavor to provide the specific signaling protocols requested by the customer. In those cases where facilities and equipment are not available to meet the customer's specific requests, the Utility will provide the customer acceptable alternate protocols. To properly provision SF signaling when associated signaling code is DS (PCM), additional information of SF requirements (loop signaling type DX/E&M or ringdown) must accompany the customer's order. Signaling arrangement charges apply whenever interfaces at the customer premises or at the customer's Utility serving wire center require a signaling arrangement other than those provided with the Terminating Options as previously described.

Specifically, a signaling charge applies if the signaling protocol characters in the NCI and the SEC NCI fields are different and include one of the following codes: RV, EX, SF, DX, DY, DS, AB.

- b. Signaling arrangements are available with Voiceband transmission facilities to enable transmission of requested signaling formats. Signaling charges will apply for each signaling conversion. On facilities requiring multiple signaling arrangements a corresponding signaling arrangement charge will apply for each conversion. When a Multiplexing Arrangement is ordered that converts a single higher capacity or bandwidth circuit into several lower Voiceband circuits, the Voiceband Signaling Arrangements are provided as part of the Multiplexing Arrangement, and no additional Signaling Arrangement charges will apply.

A signaling charge applies in addition to any other applicable signaling charge when loop range extension equipment is required. The Utility will obtain customer approval for signaling range extension equipment.

Available Signaling Arrangements are as listed below:

- (1) Loop Signaling Range Extension - An arrangement to extend the metallic resistance limitations of loop type signaling.
- (2) Conversion of Loop or E&M Signaling to SF - An arrangement to convert loop or E&M signaling to the single frequency signaling format.
- (3) E&M to DX Signaling Conversion - Conversion of E&M signaling to the DX signaling format.
- (4) E&M to Loop Signaling Conversion - conversion of E&M signaling to the loop signaling format.
- (5) Loop or E&M to PCM Signaling - Conversion of loop or E&M signaling to the digital (PCM) signaling format.
- (6) Automatic Ringdown Signaling - A signaling arrangement on a two-point Special Access which converts loop seizure at one end of the facility into ringing signal at the opposite end.

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D. Description of Supplemental Features - Continued

5. Echo Canceller

An arrangement provided at the customer's request to cancel reflected speech energy on a four-wire facility. This conditioning is generally required on circuits with long propagation delay. Echo canceller is charged on a per Special Access circuit basis.

6. Voiceband Facility Switching Arrangement

An arrangement to provide switching between two Voiceband Special Access. This arrangement may require a Voiceband control circuit to control the switching arrangement.

7. Automatic Protection Switching

Consists of special switching equipment placed at both ends of a duplicate DS1 facility (i.e., DS1, High Capacity circuit) for automatic switching to the duplicate facility in the event the active facility is inoperative.

Duplicate facilities may terminate at a serving wire center, a CDL or both. The option provided under this tariff only includes the APS(s) located at a serving wire center(s). When the duplicate facility terminates at a CDL, the customer will be responsible for providing the associated APS and ensuring it is compatible with the Utility provided switch if appropriate.

The duplicate facilities are not a part of this Supplemental feature.

8. Digital Special Access Service Secondary Channel

This feature is offered on an optional basis to customers of Digital Special Access Service. It is a separate, slower speed digital channel that operates in parallel with the primary Digital Special Access channel. The secondary channel allows for remote control and testing of the network and peripheral devices without taking the network out of service and without lowering the speed of the primary Digital Special Access channel.

Rates and charges, as set forth following, will apply on a per Digital Special Access Line (SAL) basis (each end of a two-point circuit and all ends of a multi-point circuit).

The provisioning of this option to existing Digital Special Access Service requires the discontinuance of the existing Digital Special Access Service and the establishment of new Digital Special Access Service for both ends of a two-point circuit and all ends of a multiplexing circuit. The Initial Ordering Charge plus the appropriate Digital Special Access Installation Charge as set forth following will apply. These charges are in addition to the nonrecurring charges associated with the installation of the Secondary Channel.

This feature is available for all speeds of Digital Special Access Service, however, due to technical limitations, cannot operate and therefore is not available on 56 Kbps Digital Special Access Service that requires the installation of loop repeater equipment.

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D. Description of Supplemental Features - Continued

9. Improved Return Loss

Improved Return Loss provides for increased echo return and singing return parameters of an effective two-wire channel. This optional feature is available with certain Voiceband services at a two-wire point of termination when the transmission interface is four-wire at one CDL and two-wire at the other CDL. Placement of Utility equipment may be required at the customer's premises with the two-wire point of termination.

Improved Return Loss rates and charges will apply on a per Special Access Line basis at the rates specified in the RATES Section.

10. Improved Termination Option

Improved Termination provides for a fixed 600 ohm impedance, an increased range of transmission levels, and simplex reversal (when applicable) on an effective four-wire channel. This optional feature is available with most Voiceband services with a four-wire point of termination. Utility equipment is required at the customer's premises where this option is ordered.

The Improved Termination option will be ordered and rates and charges, as set forth in the RATES Section will apply on a per SAL basis.

11. Improved Equal Level Echo Path Loss Option

This option provides improved echo control parameters for an effective two-wire channel at a four-wire point of termination. Placement of Utility equipment may be required at the customer's premises with the two-wire point of termination.

The term "Equal Level Echo Path Loss" (ELEPL) represents the measure of Echo Path Loss (EPL) at a four-wire interface which is corrected by the difference between the send and receive Transmission Level Point (TLP), i.e., $ELEPL = EPL - TLP(\text{send}) + TLP(\text{receive})$.

Improved ELEPL rates and charges will apply on a per SAL basis at the rates set forth in the RATES Section.

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E. Multiplexing Arrangements

Multiplexing Arrangements provide the function to convert a single high capacity or bandwidth circuit for bulk transport to several lower capacity or bandwidth circuits. Cascading multiplexing occurs when a high capacity analog or digital channel is de-multiplexed to provide channels with a lesser capacity and one of the lesser capacity channels is further de-multiplexed. For example, a DS1C may be de-multiplexed to two DS1 facilities and then the DS1 facilities may be further de-multiplexed to 24 Voiceband channels.

When cascading multiplexing is performed in the same or different Hub Wire Center, a charge for the additional multiplexing unit will also apply. When cascading multiplexing is performed at a different Hub Wire Center, Special Transport facility will also apply between the involved Hub Wire Centers.

Listed below are the multiplexing arrangements offered under this tariff.

1. Voice to Narrowband

An arrangement that multiplexes up to sixteen 0 to 75 baud narrowband circuits to a single voice grade circuit or a single voicegrade circuit to sixteen 0 to 75 baud narrowband circuits. This arrangement is an obsolete offering and is limited to those circuits so equipped and in service as of January 1, 1995.

2. DS1 to Voice

An arrangement that multiplexes 24 voice grade circuits to a single DS1 digital circuit at a rate of 1.544 Mbps or multiplexes a single DS1 digital circuit at a rate of 1.544 Mbps to 24 voice grade circuits. If this DS1 terminates in a Digital Special Access hub, a channel(s) of the DS1 can be used to provide Digital Special Access Service; however, Digital Special Access Service stops at the DS1 interface.

Up to 16 channels of this DS1 can be used for Direct Digital Service (Digital Special Access-like service) with the assurance that circuit performance parameters will be met. If more than 16 channels are used for Digital Special Access-like service, the performance parameters for the DS1 and all circuits riding the DS1 will not be guaranteed.

FT1 can be used in conjunction with DS1 to Voice Multiplexing in groupings of N x 56 Kbps or N x 64 Kbps where N = 2, 4, or 6, to a single DS1 digital circuit at a rate of 1.544 Mbps.

3. DS3 to DS1

An arrangement that multiplexes 28 DS1 digital circuits to a single DS3 digital circuit at a rate of 44.736 Mbps.

4. DS3C to DS1

An arrangement that multiplexes 56 DS1 digital circuits to a single DS3C digital circuit at a rate of 89.472 Mbps.

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III. Special Access - Continued

E. Multiplexing Arrangements - Continued

5. Digital Data Carrier Multiplexer

An arrangement that multiplexes twenty-three 64 kbps digital circuits for connection to either subrate data multiplexers or 56 kbps office channel units to a single DS1 1.544 Mbps digital circuit. This arrangement consists of a charge for the basic multiplexer and a charge for each 64 kbps digital circuit equipped and connected.

6. Digital Data Subrate Multiplexer

An arrangement that multiplexes the following quantities of subrate digital data circuits into a single 64 kbps digital circuit:

Twenty - 2.4 kbps
Ten - 4.8 kbps
Five - 9.6 kbps

7. Digital Data Office Channel Unit

An arrangement that provides a metallic facility interface for the subrate digital data multiplexer for digital rates of 2.4, 4.8, and 9.6 kbps or for the digital data carrier multiplexer at a digital rate of 56 kbps.

8. DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing

An arrangement that multiplexes 28 DS1 digital circuits to a single DS3 digital circuit at a rate of 44.736 Mbps, or multiplexes a single DS3 digital circuit at a rate of 44.736 Mbps to 28 DS1 digital circuits.

9. DS3 Multiplexer Cross Connect Arrangement

An arrangement which allows a customer to cross connect digital DS1 channels from one multiplexer to another multiplexer. If the DS3 multiplexed services are located in different hub wire centers, a Special Transport charge will apply in addition to the Cross Connect charge.

The multiplexing arrangements associated with shared use high capacity facilities will be ordered and rated as Special Access service until such time as the customer chooses to use a portion of the available capacity for providing Switched Access service. At that time the customer must place an order for Switched Access service, designating a specific channel assignment for the service. As each individual channel is activated for Switched Access service, the Special Access rates for multiplexing arrangements will be reduced accordingly (e.g., 1/24th for a DS1 to voice arrangement).

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F. Miscellaneous Special Access Services

1. Clear Channel Capability

a. Description of Service

An arrangement that allows the customer to transport 1.536 Mbps of information through a DS1 with no constraint on the quantity or sequence of one (Mark) and zero (space) bits utilizing the Bipolar with Eight Zero Substitution (B8ZS) Method of providing bit sequence independence. This arrangement is capable of transporting DS1 signals which utilize Superframe or Extended Superframe Format (ESF) as defined by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) T1.107-1988 standard. The installation interval for Clear Channel Capability may exceed standard intervals where equipment in the central office is not readily available. The charges apply on a per SAL basis.

This arrangement requires the customer signal at the channel interface to conform to the B8ZS method of providing bit sequence independence.

G. Rate Regulations

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Special Access.

1. Types of Rates and Charges

There are four types of rates and charges. These are monthly rates, nonrecurring charges, Special Access surcharges, and daily rates. The rates and charges are described as follows:

a. Monthly Rates

Monthly rates are recurring charges that apply each month or fraction thereof that a Special Access Service is provided. For billing purposes, each month is considered to have 30 days.

b. Daily Rates

Daily rates are recurring charges that apply to each 24 hour period or fraction thereof that a part-time Program Audio¹ Special Access Service is provided. This 24 hour period is not limited to a calendar day. When part-time Program Audio¹ service is provided for ten or more consecutive days it will be treated as a full-time service and monthly rates will apply. In no event will the charges for continuous part-time Program Audio¹ service exceed the amount that would be charged in the same time period for full-time service.

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G. Rate Regulations - Continued

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Special Access.

1. Types of Rates and Charges - Continued

c. Nonrecurring Charges

Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for specific work activity, (i.e., installation of service or change to an existing service). The types of nonrecurring charges that apply for Special Access Service are those listed below.

(1) Special Access Ordering Charges

Special Access Ordering Charges are associated with the work performed by the Utility in connection with the receiving, recording and processing of customer service requests. There are two types of service ordering charges.

(a) Initial Ordering Charge - Special Access

This charge applies on a per Access Service Request (ASR) basis, including those requests to add additional terminations to an existing service.

(b) Subsequent Ordering Charge - Special Access

This charge applies on a per ASR basis for modifications to an existing service. This would include activities such as:

- Additions of supplemental features and multiplexing arrangements.
- Changes in the type of transport rate option from Switched Transport to Special Transport for FGA and FGB Switched Access Service as described in the Switched Access Section of this tariff.

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1. Types of Rates and Charges - Continued

c. Nonrecurring Charges - Continued

(2) Service Installation Charge

The Service Installation Charge is associated with the work performed by the Utility in connection with the physical installation activities involving central office and/or outside plant facilities. This charge applies on a per SAL basis for the installation of service and for the additional terminations to existing service.

This charge does not apply to installations involving DS1 SALs. The installation charges for these services are as shown in the RATES section.

(3) Design Change Charge

The customer may request a design change to the service ordered. A design change is any change to a pending ASR for Special Access Service which requires engineering review. Design changes include such things as the addition or deletion of supplemental features or changes in the terminating options. Design changes do not include a change of Customer Designated Location (CDL), end user premises or Special Access service type (e.g., 2-wire to 4-wire Voiceband or Voiceband to Program Audio¹, etc.). Changes of this nature will require the issuance of a new ASR and the cancellation of the original ASR. The cancellation charges apply as set forth in the Ordering Options for FIA section of this tariff.

The Utility will review the requested change, notify the customer whether the change can be accommodated and specify if a new service date is required. If the customer authorizes the Utility to proceed with the design change a Design Change Charge will apply.

The Design Change Charge will apply on a per ASR per occurrence basis, for each ASR requiring a design change.

If a change in date is required, the Service Date Change Charge as set forth in the Ordering Options for FIA section will also apply.

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1. Types of Rates and Charges - Continued

c. Nonrecurring Charges - Continued

(4) Installation of Supplemental Features and Multiplexing Arrangements

Nonrecurring charges apply for installation of supplemental features and multiplexing arrangements available with Special Access service. The charge applies whether the feature or multiplexing arrangement is installed coincident with the initial installation of service or at any time subsequent to the installation of service. These charges are in addition to the appropriate Special Access Ordering Charge.

(5) Installation of DS1, DS3, Fractional T1 and Digital Special Access Lines

(a) DS1 Standard Arrangement

There are two levels of nonrecurring charges for the installation of DS1 Special Access Lines. The "First System" charge is assessed per SAL for the first DS1 service ordered by a customer between CDLs or a hub wire center. When the same customer requests additional DS1 service on the same ASR, to be installed at the same time and between the same CDLs as the "First System" DS1 SAL, the lesser charge under "Additional System" will apply. In addition to these nonrecurring charges, the appropriate Special Access Ordering Charge will apply.

(b) DS1 Optional Payment Plan (OPP) Arrangements

Customers subscribing to the OPP arrangements at rates set forth in III.D.6 will not be assessed a nonrecurring charge (NRC) for initial installation of a "First System" DS1 SAL. For each "Additional System" DS1 SAL, the NRC as set forth in RATES III.D.5(b) will apply. In addition, under an OPP the "Additional System" DS1 SAL may be ordered as set forth in III.G.1 at any time by the same customer between the same CDL and its serving wire center as the "First System" DS1 SAL.

The NRC for installation of a "First System" DS1 SAL as set forth in RATES III.D.5 will apply to existing DS1 OPP customers when required for changes and other service rearrangements as set forth in this section of the tariff.

(c) Fractional T1 Standard Arrangements

Customers subscribing to Fractional T1 service at rates set forth in the RATES Section will be assessed a nonrecurring charge. The NRC for Fractional T1 service will be assessed per SAL.

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III. Special Access - Continued

G. Rate Regulations - Continued

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c. Nonrecurring Charges - Continued

(7) IntraLATA Voiceband Special Access Conversion Offering

The Utility will waive all IntraLATA Digital Special Access nonrecurring charges associated with Special Access Lines for customers with existing IntraLATA Voiceband Special Access service who order the conversion to IntraLATA Digital Special Access Service.

- (a) This offering only applies to those customers with existing IntraLATA Voiceband Special Access Service who order the conversion to Digital Special Access Service where facilities and operating conditions permit. The Utility will waive the IntraLATA Digital Special Access Line nonrecurring charges on a one for one basis for each existing IntraLATA Voiceband Special Access circuit being converted to IntraLATA Digital Special Access.
- (b) The customer must agree to retain the Digital Special Access Service for a minimum period of two years from the date the IntraLATA Voiceband Special Access service is converted, IntraLATA to Digital Special Access Service.
- (c) If the customer orders IntraLATA Digital Special Access terminations that exceed the number of IntraLATA Voiceband Special Access circuits being converted to IntraLATA Digital Special Access Service, the applicable nonrecurring charges will apply to those circuits that are in excess of the IntraLATA Voiceband circuits being converted to IntraLATA Digital Special Access Services.
- (d) The customer may make changes to the IntraLATA Digital Special Access Service during the two year minimum period at the applicable tariffed rates and charges.
- (e) The customer cannot disconnect the service before the minimum two year period without incurring a termination liability charge. If at any time during the two year minimum period after installation of IntraLATA Digital Special Access Service, the customer disconnects the service, or the service is disconnected because of failure to comply with the provisions of the Utility's applicable tariffs, the customer will be charged a portion of the nonrecurring charges waived at the time of installation of the, IntraLATA Digital Special Access Service.
- (f) For each month the customer retains the IntraLATA Digital Special Access Service, the termination liability charge will be reduced by 1/24th of the nonrecurring charge in effect at the time the Digital Special Access Service was installed.

Changes in ownership or transfer of responsibility from one to another requires the discontinuance of service and the start of a new service. The Initial Ordering Charge-Special Access and any appropriate Minimum Period Charges will apply per service, per change.

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